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Attorney for: Plaintiff Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Ref No. or File No.:

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Insert name of Court, and Judicial District and Branch Court:

United States District Court, Eastern District of California - District Court

Plaintiff: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Defendant: Maricopa Orchards, LLC et al

CASE NUMBER:

1:24-cv-01231-KES-SAB

## PROOF OF SERVICE

HEARING DATE:

TIME:

DEPT.:

AT THE TIME OF SERVICE I WAS AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE AND NOT A PARTY TO THIS ACTION  
I SERVED COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

**Complaint and Exhibits; Corporate Disclosure Statement; Summons; Order Setting Mandatory Scheduling Conference; Notice Of Related Cases; Consent/Decline Of U.S. Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction; Clerk's Notice Reassigning Case; Minute Order; Notice Of Appearance By Robert Cullen Barton; Minute Order**

PARTY SERVED: **Farid Assemi**

BY LEAVING WITH: **Alicia Angers - Executive Assistant**

DATE & TIME OF DELIVERY: **10/29/2024  
10:12 AM**

ADDRESS, CITY, AND STATE: **5260 N Palm Ave Ste 421  
Fresno, CA 93704**

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: **Age: 40s      Weight: 135      Hair: Black  
Sex: Female      Height: 5'5"      Eyes: Blue  
Race: Caucasian      Marks:**

### MANNER OF SERVICE:

Substituted Service - By leaving the copies with or in the presence of Alicia Angers a person at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the office or usual place of business of the person served. I informed him/her of the general nature of the papers.

A declaration of diligence is attached. I thereafter mailed the copies to the person served, addressed as shown in above address, by first-class mail, postage prepaid, on October 29, 2024 from Fresno.

Fee for Service: \$ 15.00

County: FRESNO

Registration No.: S201710000040

Eddings Attorney Support Services, Inc.

1099 East Champlain Dr., Suite A-102

Fresno, CA 93720

(559) 222-2274



I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the The State of California that the foregoing information contained in the return of service and statement of service fees is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on October 29, 2024.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**BRIAN L. TURNER**

## PROOF OF SERVICE

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address)

Michael B. Brown, Esq. | SBN: 179222

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ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

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**United States District Court, Eastern District of California**

STREET ADDRESS: 2500 Tulare Street

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY AND ZIP CODE: Fresno, CA 93721

BRANCH NAME: District Court

PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Maricopa Orchards, LLC et al

CASE NUMBER:

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**DECLARATION OF DILIGENCE**

Ref. No. or File No.:

I, Brandon Allison, declare: I am a Registered Process Server and was retained to serve process in the above-referenced matter on the following person or entity: Farid Assemi as follows:

Documents:

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I attempted personal service on the following dates and times with the following results:

Date	Time	Location	Results
10/25/2024	5:00 PM	Home	Unable to gain access to premises due to locked gate - Brandon Allison 7632 N. Marks Ave., Apt. 101, Fresno, CA 93711
10/26/2024	8:45 AM	Home	Unable to gain access to premises due to locked gate - Brandon Allison 7632 N. Marks Ave., Apt. 101, Fresno, CA 93711

Fee for Service: **\$ 15.00**

County: **FRESNO**



Registration No.: **S20110000016**

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on October 29, 2024.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brandon Allison**

**AFFIDAVIT OF REASONABLE DILIGENCE**

Order#: E459742

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address) <b>Michael B. Brown, Esq.   SBN: 179222</b> <b>STOEL RIVES LLP</b> <b>500 CAPITOL MALL 1600 SACRAMENTO, CA 95814</b>  TELEPHONE NO.: (916) 447-0700   FAX NO.   E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company		FOR COURT USE ONLY          	
<b>United States District Court, Eastern District of California</b>  STREET ADDRESS: 2500 Tulare Street  MAILING ADDRESS:  CITY AND ZIP CODE: Fresno, CA 93721  BRANCH NAME: District Court			
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company  DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Maricopa Orchards, LLC et al		CASE NUMBER:  1:24-cv-01231-KES-SAB	
<b>DECLARATION OF DILIGENCE</b>		Ref. No. or File No.:	

I, BRIAN L. TURNER, declare: I am a Registered Process Server and was retained to serve process in the above-referenced matter on the following person or entity: Farid Assemi as follows:

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I attempted personal service on the following dates and times with the following results:

Date	Time	Location	Results
10/25/2024	3:09 PM	Business	Per John Bezmalinovic, servee not in. - BRIAN L. TURNER 5260 N Palm Ave., Suite 421, Fresno, CA 93704
10/28/2024	2:52 PM	Business	Per John Bezmalinovic, servee not in. - BRIAN L. TURNER 5260 N Palm Ave., Suite 421, Fresno, CA 93704
10/29/2024	10:12 AM	Business	Substituted service on: Farid Assemi; 5260 N Palm Ave Ste 421, Fresno, CA 93704; by serving: Alicia Angers - Executive Assistant, Caucasian Female 40s 135 Black 5'5" Blue.

Fee for Service: **\$ 15.00**

County: **FRESNO**



Registration No.: **S201710000040**

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on October 29, 2024.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Brian L. Turner*

**BRIAN L. TURNER**

**AFFIDAVIT OF REASONABLE DILIGENCE**

Order#: E459742

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1. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this action. I am employed in the county where the mailing occurred.
2. I served copies of the Complaint and Exhibits; Corporate Disclosure Statement; Summons; Order Setting Mandatory Scheduling Conference; Notice Of Related Cases; Consent/Decline Of U.S. Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction; Clerk's Notice Reassigning Case; Minute Order; Notice Of Appearance By Robert Cullen Barton; Minute Order
3. By placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope, with First Class postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Mail at Fresno, California, addressed as follows:

- a. Date of Mailing: October 29, 2024
- b. Place of Mailing: Fresno, CA
- c. Addressed as follows: Farid Assemi  
5260 N Palm Ave Ste 421  
Fresno, CA 93704

I am readily familiar with the firm's practice for collection and processing of documents for mailing. Under that practice, it would be deposited within the United States Postal Service, on that same day, with postage thereon fully prepaid at Fresno, California in the ordinary course of business.

Fee for Service: **\$ 15.00**

County: **FRESNO**

Registration: S-238



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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the The State of California that the foregoing information contained in the return of service and statement of service fees is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on October 29, 2024.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Joseph Cassinerio, II**

**PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

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